



THE MESSENGER

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welcome home

*Join us for a 3-day
homecoming gospel meeting
April 29 - May 1, 2018*

**invite
friends,
neighbors,
former
members**

*Henderson
Church of Christ
240 White Ave
Henderson, TN
731-989-5161*

With guest speakers:
David Lipe (Sunday)
Jason Beard (Monday)
David Powell (Tuesday)

Join us Sunday at 9am, 10am & 12:30pm
(potluck lunch @ 11:15am)
Monday & Tuesday at 7pm



STATISTICS

March 25, 2018

Bible Study 404
 Sunday a.m. 483
 Sunday p.m. 287
 Wednesday 707
 Contribution \$14,538

April 1, 2018

Bible Study 275
 Sunday a.m. 500
 Sunday p.m. 447
 Wednesday 316
 Contribution \$15,672

April 8, 2018

Bible Study 552
 Sunday a.m. 912
 Sunday p.m. 474
 Wednesday 767
 Contribution \$17,998



Fri – Sun April 13-15	Youth Spring Retreat @Reelfoot Youth Camp
Sunday April 15	Baby Shower for Nadia & Harrison Graham in the Commons, 1:30-3pm
Sunday April 22	Bridal Shower for Jamie Moody (bride-elect of Logan Cain) in the Commons, 1:30-3pm
Fri – Sat April 27-28	Evangelism University in Savannah
Sun – Tues April 29 – May 1	Homecoming Gospel Meeting with David Lipe, Jason Beard and David Powell

Roy's Sidelines

By Roy Sharp

Top 10 Reasons to Attend Church This Sunday

EMILIE MCDUFFIE JUNE 2, 2016

Few people will argue that attendance in many churches in America is declining. Whether it is due to shifting cultural standards, apathy among Christians, or a younger generation that is suspicious about joining any kind of large organization, the church is working hard to adapt and attract new members. Have you ever wondered about the positive benefits of attending a church service? We here at Shelby Systems recently did some research on that subject and came up with some surprising and encouraging answers. Please feel free to share these documented study results with your minister, fellow church members, and friends who don't attend church regularly.

1. Church goers are more likely to be married and express a higher satisfaction with life. Church involvement is the most important predictor of marital stability and happiness according to the Heritage Foundation.
2. Church attendance boosts the immune system and decreases blood pressure. It may add as many as 2 to 3 years to your life according to the New York Times.
3. A 2010 Child Trends review indicates that kids who attend church are less likely to be involved in violence, theft, and vandalism or to struggle with substance abuse problems than their peers.
4. Teens with church-going fathers are more likely to say that they enjoy spending time with Dad and that they admire him according to a recent University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill study.
5. According to the Pew Research Center, frequent church goers are happier. Those who attend church services weekly or more, are happier than those who attend less often. Those who seldom or never attend services are the least likely to say they are very happy.
6. Church involvement moves people out of poverty. It is also correlated with less depression, more self-esteem, and greater family and marital happiness according to the Heritage Foundation.
7. According to the Hartford Institute, church participation leads men to become more engaged husbands and fathers.
8. A special report by the National Survey of Children's Health indicates that church participation by an intact family is associated with a lower risk of developmental and behavioral problems in school age children.
9. Here's a quote from a recent study: "Those who go to church more than once a week enjoy better health than those who attend only once a week. Overall the reduction in mortality attributable to church going is 25%. This is a huge amount in epistemological studies." Researchers thought that perhaps this was simply due to having strong supportive relationships, but non-church centered groups didn't experience that same effect.
10. Couples who attend church together report being more happily married and are less likely to divorce. Drawing upon three national surveys, University of Virginia sociologist W. Bradford Wilcox found that married church-going Americans across all racial and denominational classifications were more likely to describe themselves as very happy in their marriages than non-church-going respondents.

In addition to worship, fellowship, and finding a higher purpose in life, the admonition in Hebrews 10: 25 includes with it a long list of amazing benefits.

Don't miss out on all these wonderful blessings. We hope to see you at church this Sunday.

Koinonia

Bill Wade

From Isaiah 9...

But there will be no gloom for her who was in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he has made glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

*The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light;
those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shone.
You have multiplied the nation; you have increased its joy;
they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest;
as they are glad when they divide the spoil.*

*For the yoke of his burden, and the staff for his shoulder,
the rod of his oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.
For every boot of the tramping warrior in battle tumult
and every garment rolled in blood will be burned as fuel for the fire.*

***For to us a child is born, to us a son is given;
and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called
Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Prince of Peace.***

*Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end,
on the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish it and to uphold it
with justice and with righteousness from this time forth and forevermore.
The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this.*

John 1:1-5 – *In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. In him was life, and the life was the light of men. **The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.***

1 John 1:5-9 – *This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. **But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.*

Jesus is our life, our light, our Savior, our hope.

Live in the light, not the darkness.

A world without light is a world without hope.

OUR PRAYER LIST

Please help us keep the prayer list current by calling the office (989-5161) if you are aware of any updates.

Members: Ella Adams, Bill Baldy, Barbara Bell, Bob Brown, Ramona Burns, Richy Butler, Joanna Cearley, Debby Flatt, Don & Linda Sue Gover, Sylvia Harris, Joe Jett, Danny Jones, Sharon Kea, James Koronka, Steven Marise, Janis McCall, Dale Neal, Billie Noles, Margaret Record, Dorothy Redden, Joan Rhea, Trent Rhodes, Jan Sharp, Neal Smith, David Thomas, James Webb

Shut-in Members: Bill Benson, Mary Jones, Stephen Lancin, Virginia McAdams, Lois Rhodes, Robbie Stanfill, Dot Williams, Molly Young

Relatives: Jon & Julie Adams (Ed & Ella Adams), Betty Barber (Adam Cross/Mark Barber), Annette & William Barham (Brandon Barham/Annetta Burton), Evelyn Brigman (Buddy Parsons), Holly Brock (Linda Gover), Joe Neil Brown (Kay Tignor), Carolyn Coleman (Kevin Coleman), Peggy Cotter (Joe Cotter), Justin DeFrees (Sandy Cotter), Mary Crosswhite (Joyce Morris), Chris Davis (Mike & Julia Bolton), Jade Embry (Brian & Brandi Welch), Jennifer Fetters (Bob & Betty Bush), Imogene Fitts (Julia Bolton), MaryAnn Golson (Ken Golson), Dewayne Gunnels (Jana Dugger), Randy Haltom (Imogene Haltom), Mark Harris (Sylvia Harris), Jackie Hibbett (Lee Hibbett), Roy Hickman (Kevin Hickman), Allison Hill (Margaret Record), Ever Johnson (Paul & Patricia Johnson), Ted Lingren (Michele Kammanee), Vickie Malone (Mike Hurst), Marguerite McKnight (Ethan Hardin), Ermer McNeil (Debbie Lofton), Jack Milligan (Ann Lowe), Charlotte Peters (Damon Welch), Barbara Ray (Carol Webb), Amy Reed (Joe & Sandy Cotter), Jurilee Rouse (Donna Witten), Frank Sarver (Sandy Cotter), Bruce & Gene Smith (Don Smith), Micke Smith (Micah Smith), Faye Stevens (Emily Marise), Jerry Steele (Algene Steele), Vincent Todaro (Linda Hodges), Mildred Wheeler (Sherry Thomas), Peggy Whitman (Lona Bolton), Erin Williams (Clay Carpenter), Ralph Wilson (Jana Dugger)

Military: Alex Carpenter, Johnathan Cronan, Will Hodges, Blake Jaggars, Colton Jones, Brice Thompson, Mark Thompson, Hunter Miller

In Iraq: Matthew Smith

NURSERY ATTENDANTS

April 15: 10AM Nancy Smith & Ashley Hardin; **5PM** Cathy & Macy Maples

April 22: 10AM Jana & LeighAnne Dugger; **5PM** Donna Farris & Shannon Chasteen

April 29: 10AM Candice Barber & Mia Carter; **5PM** Lauren White & Shila England

BAPTISM

We rejoice with **Colton Hopper** since his baptism! He is the son of Tyrone & Molly Hopper.

THANK YOU NOTES

Notes are posted on the bulletin board from **Janis McCall, Sherry & David Thomas and Clea Sisk.**

BIBLE READING CARDS for April are available at the Welcome Center. The scriptures that are read on Sunday mornings will be taken from the Focus verses on the front of the cards.

REQUESTED PRAYERS

Sandy Thompson, Caleb Bates (FHU student), Michal Basford (FHU student), Marc Joblin, Leah Campbell (FHU student), Lucas Dial (FHU student) & Cole Howard (FHU student) requested prayers of the congregation.

SYMPATHY

We extend sympathy to the family & friends of **Audra Rodden** since her death and to **Junie Gilliam** & family since the death of Junie's niece, Helen Underwood.

CONGRATULATIONS


Congratulations to **Louise Waggoner** since the birth of a grandson, Declan John Bache, born April 11, weighing 8lbs, 11oz & 22 inches long. Congratulations also to his aunt, **Carole Cosbey**.

FOCUS FOR APRIL
faithfulness



BABY GIRL SHOWER
Nadia & Harrison
Graham
Sun, April 15, 1:30-3pm in the Commons

Everyone encouraged to attend!
SUNDAY, April 15 @ 2:30pm



NURSING HOME
MINISTRY

Henderson Health & Rehab
Hosted by the CIA class



bridal shower
IN HONOR OF
Jamie Moody
22ND OF APRIL • 1:30-3PM • COMMONS

REGISTERED AT TARGET

Our Ministers

Roy Sharp - *Pulpit/Involvement Minister*
Billy Smith - *Pulpit Minister*
Bill Wade - *Associate Minister*
Jared Gott/Bill Wade - *Youth Ministers*
Bruce Lewis - *Senior Minister*
Lee Hibbett/Seth Stewart - *University Ministers*

Our Elders

Larry Bloomingburg
Mike McCutchen
Charlie Smith

Shawn Bolton
Gary McKnight
Keith Smith

Ron Butterfield
Stephen Morris
Algene Steele

Richard England
Larry Oldham
John Sweeney

Larry Gilliam
Barry Smith

Our Deacons

Tony Allen
Patrick Bolton
Darryl Culberson
Kerry Gott
Bobby Hysmith
Wayne Roberts
David Sweeney
Damon Welch

Tim Anderson
Dexel Burns
Larry Cyr
Michael Green
David Jackson
Scott Rogers
J. D. Thomas
Richard West

Mark Barber
Bobby Bush
Jason Deffenbaugh
Jerry Hesselrode
Ronald Johnson
Tony Rush
Chad Thompson

Bryan Black
Brian Butterfield
Jason Elliott
Tyrone Hopper
Scott Kimpel
Wayne Scott
Joe Trice

Mike Bolton
Richard Cave
Paul Fader
Todd Humphry
Dee Richardson
Donald Shull
Tom Vickery